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DE 199 19 230 and the English language abstract attached thereto disclose a lifting unit for a height-adjustable table or chair.

DE 1958 241 discloses a bearing for a detachable interlock of a telescope tube of an office chair.

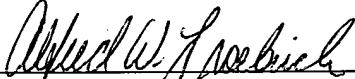
DE 6753661 disclose a telescopic pipe column.

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